

**MINUTES  
CITY OF GAINESVILLE  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
200 South Rusk  
Gainesville, Texas 76240  
October 18, 2022**

The City Council of the City of Gainesville, Texas met in regular session October 18, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. with the following persons in attendance.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor Tommy Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Ken Keeler, Carolyn Hendricks, Brandon Eberhart, Michael Hill, Martin Phillips, and Mary Jo Dollar.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**STAFF PRESENT:** Barry Sullivan, City Manager; Diana Alcala, City Secretary; J.I. Johnson, Finance Director; Kevin Phillips, Police Chief; Ron Sellman, Public Works Director; Jennifer Shumate, Chamber of Commerce Director; William Myers, GEDC Director.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Mike Gordon, Pam Johnson, Delania Raney, Anna Beall, Drew Satterwhite, Paul Sigle, Aubrey Eberhart, Mark Wascom, and Tony Dresser (Videographer).

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Tommy Moore called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mark Wascom gave the invocation, Mayor Tommy Moore led the pledge to the flag.

**RECOGNITIONS/PROCLAMATIONS**

**Chamber of Commerce Week Proclamation**

Mayor Tommy Moore proclaimed October 17 through October 21, 2022 as Chamber of Commerce Week in recognition of promoting the community for quality growth and development.

**REPORTS**

Ron Sellman, Public Works Director, gave a report on the Wastewater System Master Plan.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

The following Consent Agenda items were approved by Council.

- A. Approve Minutes of October 4, 2022 City Council Meeting.

Councilmember Keeler **moved to approve the Consent Agenda**. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Phillips and carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent.

**ORDINANCE 1521-10-2022 - AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS RELATING TO THE GREATER TEXOMA UTILITY AUTHORITY CONTRACT REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2022 (CITY OF GAINESVILLE PROJECT) AND APPROVING THE ISSUANCE THEREOF AND THE FACILITIES TO BE CONSTRUCTED OR ACQUIRED BY SUCH AUTHORITY.**

This Ordinance approves the sale of Series 2022 GTUA Revenue Bonds in the amount of \$2,705,000 to replace 4,580 feet of water line between Foundry Road and I-35. The line serves as a connection between the High and Low Pressure Planes. This line will improve fire protection for both planes.

Councilmember Hill **moved to SUSPEND THE CHARTER.** The motion was seconded by Councilmember Keeler and carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent.

Councilmember Hill **moved to approve the Ordinance.** The motion was seconded by Councilmember Keeler and carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 6:40 p.m. Mayor Tommy Moore announced that Council would convene into Executive Session in compliance with Vernon's Texas Codes Annotated, Government Code, Chapter 551 (Open Meetings Act), to discuss the following:

Under Government Code §551.087 Economic Development

**RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION**

Council reconvened into open session at 7:13 p.m. and Mayor Tommy Moore announced no action was taken during executive session.

**RESOLUTION NO. 10-18-2022 - A RESOLUTION MAKING FINDINGS AND APPROVING AN AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS, AND THIRTY-FIVE AND LIBERTY, LLC.; PROVIDING FOR AD VALOREM TAX ABATEMENT FOR SAID BUSINESS WITHIN REINVESTMENT ZONE 23 OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE SAID AGREEMENT FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE CITY, FOR THE CONSIDERATION AND ON THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS STATED THEREIN.**

This Resolution approves a tax abatement for Thirty-Five and Liberty, LLC. This will be a 70% abatement for 4 years, 60% for 3 years, and 50% for 3 years. The company must have a taxable value of \$17 million and hire 300 employees to get and maintain the tax abatement.

Councilmember Keeler **moved to approve the Resolution.** The motion was seconded by Councilmember Eberhart and carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent.

**RESOLUTION NO. 10-18-2022A - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS, A CHAPTER 380 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT FOR SALES TAX REBATE WITH THIRTY-FIVE AND LIBERTY, LLC.**

This Resolution approves a 380 Economic Development Agreement with Thirty-Five and Liberty, LLC. for an incentive payment equal to a percentage of the City of Gainesville taxes paid to the State by Thirty-Five and Liberty, LLC on their Texas Sales and Use Tax Return.

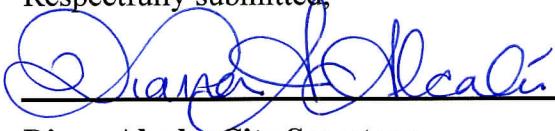
Councilmember Dollar **moved to approve the Resolution.** The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hill and carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent.

**RESOLUTION NO. 10-18-2022B - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS APPROVING THE ACTIONS OF THE GEDC, WHICH VOTED TO APPROVE THE THIRD AMENDMENT OF THE GAINESVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BUSINESS INCENTIVE AGREEMENT FOR GAINESVILLE NORTHTOWN PLAZA, LLC'S LIBERTY CROSSING REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT.**

This Resolution approves the actions of the Gainesville Economic Development Corporation, which voted to amend Gainesville Northtown Plaza, LLC's Liberty Crossing Redevelopment Project to clarify the intent of prior agreements and amendments.

Councilmember Keeler **moved to approve the Resolution.** The motion was seconded by Councilmember Phillips and carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent.

With no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.  
Respectfully submitted,



Diana Alcala, City Secretary



Tommy Moore, Mayor



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